(ख) जी, नहीं। परन्तु 2700 लाइनों के स्ट्रोजर उपस्कर के स्थान पर इलेक्ट्रोनिक एक्सचेंज लगा देने से अन्तर-एक्सचेंज कालों के कार्य निष्पादन में और सुधार होगा।

1673. [*Transferred to the 7th August*, 1989]

Duties of Analysts under Drugs and Cosmetics Act and Rules made thereunder

1674. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH;

SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether under the provisions of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act and Rules, a Government Analyst is permitted to give only a test report and is not authorised to say whether the import of any Drug was irregular and illegal;

(b) whether under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, the Drugs Controller (India) is the sole authority to decide any permit import of any drug;

(c) if so, under what circumstances the Director of Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia Laboratory, Ghaziabad has informed the correspondent of Indian Express, as reported in the article "FLAWS IN DRUG DETECTED AFTER 70 YEARS" dated July 7, 1989 that import of Cineraria Maritima succus from West Germany is irregular and illegal; and

(d) whether the activities of Director attract the provisions of Government Servants Conduct Rules; if so, the nature of disciplinary action proposed to be taken against him?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) Under the provisions of Drugs and Cosmetics Act and Rules a Government Analyst is only required to give a test report of the samples sent to him for test by the Inspectors or other persons in accordance with the Rules.

(b) Yes, Sir. The Drugs Controller (India) is the licensing authority for the purpose of the provisions of chapter III of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act which relate to import of drugs.

(c) and (d) Information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the House.

Departmental Promotion Committee in CCRAS

1675. SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether is a fact that the Departmental Promotion Committee of Central Council of Research in Ayurvedha and Siddha, which met in March, 1989 for the post of Assistant Director (Pharmacognosy/Botany), consisted of Members below the rank of Director in Government of India, in violation of Personal and Training O.M. Nos. 22011/8/87 Estt. (D) dated the 3rd June 1989, 18034|1|85-Estt. (D) dated the 11th May, 1987 and 22011|6|75 Estt. (D) dated the 30th December, 1986;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken in this matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) to (c) The Departmental Promotion Committee of the Central Council for Research in Ayurvedha and Siddha did not meet in March, 1989. However, meetings of the Departmental Promotion Committee for the posts of Assistant Director (Pharmacognosy/Botany) were held on 15th June, 1988 and 28th February, 1989 respectively. The Constitution of the Selection Committee/Departmental Promotion Committee was made with the approval of the Governing Body in accordance with Bye-Law 25 of the Bye-Laws of the Council, which does not stipulate that the members of the Selection Committee/Departmental Promotion Committee should not be below the rank of Director in the Government of India.